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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, there is absolute decontrol prevailing now and I do not think it is possible to prevent Andhra rice coming into this State."

*Television unit for the College of Engineering.*

* 644 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state whether a Television set, intended for use in educational institutions, is expected to be installed in the Tele-Communication Laboratory of the Engineering College, Guindy?

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" The Government have sanctioned the purchase of a closed circuit Television unit for the Tele-communication laboratory of the College of Engineering, Guindy, for the instructional use of the students."

SRI N. K. PALANISAMY :—" அது என்ன விலை என்று கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் சொல்லுவார்களா ? "

THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" About Rs. 10,000, Sir."

*Kolappuram Spinning and Weaving Mills.*

* 645 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Ariculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the management of the Kolappuram Spinning and Weaving Mills, Kolappuram, Chirakkal taluk, North Malabar, put up a notice on 17th July 1954 retrenching half the number of workers in the factory since 1st August 1954 without giving any proper reasons;

(*b*) whether any steps for conciliation have been taken by the Government in this affair; and

(*c*) if so, with what result?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Yes, Sir.

" (*b*) & (*c*) Yes, Sir. The Labour Officer took up conciliation when the parties came to an amicable settlement and signed a memorandum of settlement."

*Reddy (Ganjam) community.*

* 646 *Q.*—SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Reddy (Ganjam) community was included in the list of backward classes till recently and was enjoying the fee concessions, etc., in the educational institutions;

(*b*) whether the said community has now been removed from that list;

(*c*) if so, when and why;

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(*d*) whether the Government received any representations from the Reddy Jana Sangam, Kallikudi, complaining against the removal of the said community from the list of backward classes and requesting its inclusion again; and

(*e*) the steps taken by the Government, if any, in the said matter?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) The Reddy (Ganjam) community is still included in the list of backward classes.

" (*b*) The said community has not been removed from that list.

" (*c*) Does not arise.

" (*d*) The representation regarding inclusion of all the Reddi pupils in certain Tamil districts in the list of backward classes was received from the Reddi Sangam, Kallikudi.

" (*e*) The Reddi Jana Sangam has been informed that it is not proposed to include the Reddy Community in the list of backward classes for purposes of educational concessions under Rule 92 of the Madras Educational Rules till the Backward Classes Commission's list is published."

SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR :—" Is it a fact that the fee concessions and other concessions are suspended for Reddis that is for Reddy (Ganjam) in Ramanathapuram and Madurai districts and if so why? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, my information is that this community is still included in the backward classes list and if they are included in the list they are entitled to the concessions."

SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR :—" The Hon. Minister has probably not understood the implication of my question. In Ramanathapuram and Madurai districts, there are about 24 sub-sects in the Reddi Community and so far as this sub-community—Reddy (Ganjam)—is concerned it is included in the list of backward classes and they were given fee and other concessions. I am definite now, the said concessions have now temporarily been suspended. If so why have they been suspended? I do not refer to Reddy Community in general or Reddy Community other than Reddy (Ganjam)."

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" I do not have that information, Sir. If the hon. Member has any such information he may pass it on to me. I shall look into it."

SRI C. KANDASAMY :—" பள்ளிக்கூடச் சலுகைகள் சம்பந்தப்பட்ட வரை பிற்பட்ட வகுப்பினர் எல்லோருக்கும் ஒரேவிதமான சலுகை தருகிறார்களா ? அல்லது பிற்பட்ட வகுப்பினரில் சிலருக்கு மாத்திரம் விசேஷ சலுகை அளிக்கப்படுகிறதா ? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" பிற்பட்ட வகுப்பினர்களை இரண்டு பிரிவுகளாக பிரித்திருக்கிறார்கள். பிற்பட்டவர்கள் என்றும், தாழ்த்தப்பட்டவர்கள் என்றும் இந்த இரண்டு பகுதியினருக்கும் ஒரே விதமான சலுகைதான் தரப்படுகிறது. பிற்பட்ட வகுப்பினருக்குள்ளே சலுகை அளிப்பதில் வித்தியாசம் கிடையாது."

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SRI K. PARTHASARATHY :—" Is it the policy of the Government that no addition will be made to or deletion made from the list of backward classes till the recommendations of the Backward Class Commission are known? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" We cannot do it. Under the Constitution it is only the Backward Classes Commission that can do it. If the Commission makes any recommendations they will be considered by the Government."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" On a point of order, Sir, கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் கேள்விக்கு பதில் அளிக்கும்போது பிற்பட்ட வகுப்பினருடைய சலுகைகள் விஷயமாக எந்த விதமான வித்தியாசமும் கிடையாது என்று சொன்னார்கள். அப்படியிருக்கும்போது சில ஜில்லாக்களில் மாத்திரம் வன்னிய குல க்ஷத்திரிய வகுப்பினரைச் சேர்ந்தவர்களுக்கு பள்ளிகளில் சம்பளம் வாங்கக்கூடாதென்று சர்க்கார் ஏன் உத்திரவிட்டிருக்கிறது ? அப்படியிருக்கும்போது பிற்பட்ட வகுப்பினரிடையே பாரபட்சம் காண்பிக்கவில்லையென்று எப்படி சொல்லுகிறார்கள்? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" Is that a point of order? How is the Minister responsible for that. The hon. Member may put a separate question."

*Opening and closing hours of theatres.*

* 647 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state whether the Government of Madras have any proposal under the Madras Shops and Establishments Act to change the hours of opening and closing of theatres and places of public amusement or entertainment?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" In supersession of a notification issued in 1949, the Government have recently issued a revised notification to the effect that no theatre or place of public amusement or entertainment situated in this State shall be opened earlier than 9 a.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays and 1 p.m. on all other days or closed on any day later than 1-30 a.m. There is no other proposal under the consideration of the Government."

SRI N. K. PALANISAMY :— " இந்தமாதிரி ஒரு மாற்றத்தினாலே தியேட்டரில் வேலை செய்யும் தொழிலாளர்களிடமிருந்து அதிகமான வேலை வாங்கப்படுகிறது. அவர்களிடமிருந்து 8 மணி நேரத்திற்குமேல் வேலை வாங்கக்கூடாதென்று தியேட்டர் முதலாளிகளுக்கு உத்திரவு போடுவார்களா ? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I require notice, Sir."

*Inspection of hospitals in Malabar.*

* 648 *Q.*—SRI K. T. SREEDHARAN (on behalf of Dr. K. B. Menon) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state how many times, if any, the Director of Medical Services has inspected the hospitals in Malabar during the past one year and which hospitals?